NATIONAL LEAGUE STARTS FIGHT TO RETAIN LANDIS AS HEAD 10-YEAR TERM Eddie Reed and Paul O'Brien Tied For First On Opening Day IS PROPOSEDI BY BACKERS

National Would Forestall Move For New Rule

NEW YORK, Feb. 6-The National NEW YORK, Feb. 6—The National League started the fight Wednesday for the retention of Kenesaw Landis as high commissioner of baseball after his present contract expires in 1927 by unanimously passing a resolution to recommend the extension of his term ten years, thereby forestalling any effort the American League ling any effort the American League or any other body may make to install another ruler.

Anticipating any attempt which may be made against the re-election of be made against the re-election of Landis as commissioner next year, the representatives of the eight National League clubs turned what was meant to be a regular routine meeting to adopt the 1926 playing schedule into the opening of a campaign to support the picturesque, unflinching, white-haired head of all organized baseball. The ratification of the schedule, the appointment of umpires, and the disposition of postponed games became position of postponed games became sccondary matters. CONTRACT EXPIRES BEFORE

Under his present contract, which calls for an annual salary of \$50,000, Judge Landis' term of office will expire before the season of 1927. There pire before the season of 1927. There have been ominous rumblings from some quarters forecasting a bitter war against the reappointment of the man who, left the judicial bench to take clarge of baseball after the cloudy world's series of 1919. The strength of the anti-Landis forces was thought to lie in the American League, where Ban Johnson rules as president. There also were whispers to the effect that also were whispers to the effect that certain siding with the forces of the younger organization. The action taken yesterday practically assures the continued rule of the present commis-

With the unanimous support of the National League behind him and further backing from the New York and Pulladelphia clubs, at least, in the American League, the revolutionists, if any, appear in the great minority. The movement to endorse the regime of Judge Landis and to urge his reflection without recognition was led by tention without reservation was led by William Veeck, owner of the Chicago Cubs, and will be presented at the next joint meeting of the two major leagues, which will be held in this city some time next December. The resolution

"The National League at a meeting today, all clubs being represented, sgain affirms its confidence in Judge Landis, his firmness and fairness in all decisions and his grasp of all the fun-damentals of baseball; and, sure of the confidence of the public in his admin-istration of his great office, resolves that his term of office be extended at the expiration of the present period for a new term of ten years, and urges that this be done at the next joint inceting of the two major leagues. The eight presidents of the National League clubs have this day so pledged

LOCAL HIGH WON-FREDERICTON, Feb. 5-Saint John High School made it three wins in the interscholastic backethall series by beating Provin-cial Normal School 29 to 8 here this afternoon on the Normal school floor. The visitors led throughout the game, the half-time score being 14 to 4.

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DAILY TRAINS to Florida this Season

Along The Sport Trail

THE rather heavy shadow of Julian T. Fitzgerald, the man who nearly broke up the world's skating meet here over the mile affair, is rather easily discernible in the latest rather crude action on the part of W. G. Bratton, president of the International Skating Union, in announcing to all and sundry that he had suspended Charlie Gorman for "failure to honor" his entry at the Detroit meet. Joe Moore is mixed up in it but it is our guess that Mr. Moore and his friends can ably look after themselves.

Apparently, Mr. Fitzgerald, who is heavily-interested in a prominent Chicago skating concern, is out to "get" Charlie Gorman. Mr. Gorman's offence to Mr. Fitzgerald is that he won the championship of the world by a rather heavy margin over another Chicago skater.

The first break came when Mr. Fitzgerald allowed "Duke" Donovan, the strongest United States competitor in the longer distances, to compete against Charlie in the mile here when Donovan had not properly qualified and after Mr. Fitzgerald, who by our courtesy was chief judge here, HAD BEEN TOLD A DOZEN TIMES THAT DONOVAN HAD NOT QUALIFIED.

It would have been very easy for Mr. Fitzgerald to have held up proceedings for a few minutes to investigate this IMPORTANT point. He frankly admitted to Mr. White that Reed had come and told him (Fitzgerald) that Donovan had beaten him (Reed) and on this flimsy pretext, he admitted to Mr. White that he had allowed Donovan If this is not about the most bare-faced attempt to beat Gorman, it

would be hard to imagine a better one. When the showdown comes, there is ample field alone in this one incident to show the trend of Mr. Fitzgerald's thoughts.

THE next break came when a telegram, signed in Gorman's name and without his knowledge and authority, was sent to Fitzgerald. Siezing this chance, Mr. Fitzgerald blazoned all over the continent that Gorman was trying to get some easy money out of his world's

"This," said Mr. Fitzgerald pompously, in his telegram, "is an amateur meet and if you skate you must skate in competition." The word "anateur" in Mr. Fitzgerald's mouth sounds rather funny.

A prompt and thorough investigation here by the proper body, the Board of Control of the New Brunswick Skating Association, followed and the charge against Gorman was found to be false. But Mr. Fitzgerald had accomplished his end through the widespread publicity of

Papers in the United States that never once mentioned the world's skating meet here seized on this and spread it out in big headlines. The mud-slinging had started and when you start this kind of a thing,

Mr. Fitzgerald was notified of the action here and that quieted him for a few days until he saw another chance. At least, he THOUGHT he saw another chance.

He THOUGHT Charlie had entered at Detroit when no such formal entry has been made, if we are to take the word of both Gorman and Mr. Corr, who picked the skaters for the circuit. Mr. Fitzgerald dug into his constitution and found a rule there

that the entry must be honored "unless good cause can be shown for The very good cause in this case is that Mr. Gorman NEVER

So, that can settle that affair.

BUT that will not satisfy Mr. Fitzgerald and his friends. The brusal trusts is that they are out to get Gorman by book or

Had this been the first time that a skater never honored his entry, even granting that Gorman did enter, they might be pardoned for their zealousness in enforcing the rules to the hilt. But their zealousness in this instance is centred on one person-Mr. Gorman.

To make themselves look more foolish, they say that if Gorman went to Detroit he had to skate in competition. "This is an amateur meet," says Mr. Fitz. (Don't laugh too hard boys). Very well, let Mr. Fitz and Mr. Bratton answer this question:

Why did not Clas Thunberg skate in competition instead of against time? This was the very thing they tried to tangle Gorman on! And, did they send to Clas, the same kind of a telegram they sent to Gorman? Did they ask Thunberg for his terms?

There is an old saying that whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad. The International Skating Union is riding to a heavy

If they could get rid of a lot of bunk officials, who are making themselves absurd, the fall would be well worth it,

Canadiens

MONTREAL, Feb. 6 -- Boston

Bruins, who have been dragging in the cellar of the National Hockey League ever since the club entered

the pro. hockey circuit, almost two

years ago, have at last shaken clear

MIDNIGHT GAME

Sussex Trounced Severely at the Arena Last Night

The shades of night and a few other things were falling quite fast last night toward 10.30 o'clock when the Sussex hockey team trouped on the ice for their game against the local sextette, but despite the approach of the midnight hour, about 800 faus hung on and saw Saint John giveSussex a trouncing, 7 to 2. Sussex was tired after their long journey and the game did not carry the sparkle of the otherdid not carry the sparkle of the other contests this year between the teams, elthough good hockey was played all

FANS HANG ON.

The game was advertised to start at 9.15 as it was understood the Sussex team would be able to get here by that time but the majority of the fans went to the rink at the usual time and remained for four hours to see the finish, taking the delay, which was unavoidable, in a good-natured manner. able, in a good-natured manner.

The Colts started the game without the services of their regular goalie, Bev. Roach. In his place was young Wilson, Sussex High School net minder, who turned in a good performance considering his inexperience. The first considering his inexperience. The first period saw the locals sweeping down on the Sussex citadel time and time on the Sussex citadel time and time again, and Lane, star centre man, netted two scores before the bell rang, both on individual efforts. This period was productive of the best hockey, most of the game being listless and slow. The visitors were weary from their tedious trip and the locals' en-thusiasm appeared to be sapped by the long wait.

GET FIVE GOALS.

Saint John got five goals in the second stanza. Thompson carried the puck through his opponents and shot. Boudreau batted the rebound at Wilson who saved only to have Thompson score on the second rebound. little later, Boudreau circled the Sussex net and passed to Lane, who notch-

far out on the wing and made it si to 0. Then Harold Radeliffe, who was Sussex's particular star of the game, led an attack on the Saint John net led an attack on the Saint John net and his brother almost beat the local defence, Mountain scored shortly after on an end-to-end rush and Brad Gilbert duplicated this feat within a few minutes. Just before the within a few minutes. Just before the Saint John net and his brother almost beat In the I. O. F. Lague on Imperial allows last night, Court Log Cabin Court leys last night. Total pinfall was Log Cabin and LaTour B. broke even in the I. O. F. League on Imperial allows last night. Total pinfall was Log Cabin and LaTour 1,096.

Court Log Cabin Totals Avg.

Sussex fought hard to equalize things in the last period and P. Radcliffe scored on a rush through the defence.

Local Bowling

SENATORS TACKLE

sult of collision in the recent CanadienMontreal game. He may be sent into
the fray as relief man if necessity demands, but it is more than likely that
he will be saved for future games.
Ottawa is in danger of losing more
ground to the Montreal Maroons, who
are closing up the gap between themselves and the leading Senators.
The capital city team plays at Toous games in two weeks, the majority of which entailed a lot of travel, the

Senators are liable to drop further points to St. Pats, who are a great fighting machine, especially on home ice, where they have already beaten the leaders once this season.

K. of C.—

McCafferty 81 79 87 247 821-3

Kennedy 94 82 85 261 87

Driscoll 78 83 90 251 882-3

McShane 76 86 86 248 82

Cosgrove 87 90 97 274 911-3

Commercial League. The McAvity team took three points rom the Opticians in the Commercial

League game on Blacks' alleys last night. The scores were as follows: McAvity-McAvity— Total Avg.
Bewick ... 94 99 82 275 912-3
Gray ... 86 89 84 259 861-8
Chase 89 84 259 861-8 442 448 414 1304

424 442 426 1292 McAvity League. the McAvity League, the Brass Foundry won three points from the King Street Office, the total scores being 1,288 to 1,261.

Torry 110 84 82 276 92 Kelly 81 89 72 242 80 2-3 Bennett 97 73 70 240 80



Wants To Get Back In Fold

CONFIDENCE IN HIMSELF Who is the best runner in the world? Ask Jole Ray, America's premier middle distance he will tell you that he and no one else is the ints to return to the amateur ranks and has petitioned the Central A. A. U. to reinstate him. recently turned professional to give bag punching exhibitions in a Chicago department store. On the ship carrying the American Olympic athletes to Antwerp in 1920, Ray passed out postcards on which were written, "From Jole Ray, the world's greatest runner." One might gather from this that Ray is objectional because of his "chesty" attitude. It isn't true. On the contrary he is very well liked because of this confidence in himself.

No other runner in the history of sport has run a mile in 4.20 or better as many times as Ray. Since winning the mile championship for the first time, in 1915, he established the record of making the mile in better than 4.21 47 times. Recently he has received so many invitations to run in various parts of the country that he wants to

recently ne has received so many invitations to run in various parts of the country that he wants to return to the amateur ranks. He has also been invited to compete in professional races, but prefers the amateurs. If the A. A. U. officials continue to turn a deaf ear to his wishes, Ray can expose the methods in vogue among "amateur" runners of this as well as foreign countries. It might be well for the officials to see that Ray is reinstated, if for no other reason than to block a serious blow at amateur track events in the United States.

..... 76 81 108 265 88 1-9 Clark 91 104 77 278 92 2-3 cision over Benny Gould of Toronto, At the height of 1,000 feet one may here last night, at the end of their see an object 36.36 nautical miles at ten round bout. I. O. F. League.

Dummy 49 52 54 155 512-3 Dummy 67 66 61 194 672-3 318 365 348 1031 Latour B.— 365 344 393 1102 Totals.

Corscadden . . . 49 67 54 170 56 2-8 Dummy 65 56 73 194 641-8 Demerson . . . 59 69 75 203 67 2-3 L. Powers . . . 67 72 66 205 681-3 338 309 337 984 383 381 334 1096 Civil and Civic League. C. P. R. League. last night, as follows:

K. of P.—

Total Avg.
Shephard ... 80 79 76 235 781-3
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Buckley 92 94 89 275 91 2-3 433 446 465 1344 438 444 430 1312

Manifest-Manifest— Totals. Avg.
Tardivel ... 78 79 106 263 87 2-3
Morrisey ... 92 99 93 284 94 2-3
Hammond ... 93 88 82 258 86 Totals. Avg. Harris 85 108 78 271 90 1-3 Dummy 75 66 79 220 78 1-8 423 435 438 1296

Milligan Snowed In; Fight Deferred The above amount of money has been given away by us in

BOSTON, Feb. 5-The Suffolk A A: announced today that the boxing match between Tommy Milligan, of Scotland, and Pete Letzo, of Scran ton, Pa., which was originally scheduled for last night, but which was postponed until tonight because of the storm, has been indefinitely post poned. The reason given was that Milligan is snowed in at his training

quarters in Cliftondale. SUZANNE WINS. NICE, Feb. 5—Suzanne Lenglen to-day defeated Mrs. R. E. Haylock of day defeated Mrs. R. E. Haylock of England in straight sets without the loss of a game. Mrs. Haylock is the player who forced Miss Helen Wills, American champion, to play her hard-est to win at 9-7; 6-2 last week in the

Leila Brooks Sets Up Two New World's Marks

DETROIT, Feb. 6 - Eddie Reed. Chicago, and Paul O'Brien, New York, are tied for first place with 30 points each for the international speed skating title, Reed winning the mile, while O'Brien won the 220 yards sprint on the opening day yesterday. Clas Thunberg, of Finland, broke the world's record for the three-quarter mile event in an exhibition against time at the international skating championships here today. His time was 2.00 4-5. The previous record, 2.02 1-5. was set by Joe Moore et time was 2.00 4-5. The previous record, 2.02 1-5, was set by Joe Moore at Lake Placid in 1923. Thunberg's time was first announced as 2.02 4-5, but a re-check was made.

Miss Leila Brooks, Toronto, hung up two world's records in the girls' events, winning the 880 yards in 1.36 8-5, and taking the 440 yards in 44 3-5 seconds, hettering the mark made by Gladys

bettering the mark made by Gladys Robinson in 1921. The two victories give Miss Brooks a wide margin for the international crown.

NORTH END RACES MONDAY NIGHT

Junior Elimination Finals Probably at Lake Next Saturday

The junior elimination races for boys in the North End, which were postponed prior to the world's meet owing to bad weather, will be run off on Monday night on St. Peter's rink at 7 o'clock, T. A. Armour, chairman, announced this morning. The same set of officials as named before will handle this meet. The grand finals, Mr. Armour said, probably will be skated at Lily Lake next week.

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